

BODY IN A VAULT HERE IS APPARENTLY THAT OF A SECOND JOHANN HOCH

Mrs. Douglas, of Texas, Sends the Police a Photo of "Lord Douglas" SAYS SHE KNOWS OF FOUR DESERTED WIVES Mystery Surrounding Late C. H. Asquith Being Cleared Away at Last

After his body had lain unidentified in the receiving vault of a local undertaking establishment for nine months, while rumors of fortunes in England, a forsaken wife in Texas were rampant, what appears to be the truth about C. H. Asquith, alias "Lord Douglas," alias R. Rhoads, has at last been discovered. A titled Englishman he might have been, but if the letters received yesterday by Chief of Police Bernard may be believed, a bigamist he certainly was, having four wives, at least, scattered about in different states in the union.

With each it has been the same story—a handsome man with pleasing ways, marriage and then—desertion. That was what happened to Mrs. B. E. A. Douglas, of Fort Worth, Tex.; that was the case with Mrs. Louisiana Hobbs Douglas, of Lamberts Point, Va., and that is reported to have been the lot of forsaken wives in California and Denver.

Photo Received. The first real light upon the mysterious man, who came here attended by a special physician and trained nurses, took rooms at one of the most prominent boarding houses and died a pauper, was shed by a letter from Mrs. Douglas of Texas to Chief Bernard yesterday, with which was enclosed a picture of the man who married and deserted her in the spring of 1900, and a letter from Mrs. Douglas of Lambert's Point, Va., regarding the probability of the man who deserted her in the fall of 1903 being the "Lord Douglas" of Texas fame. It was the photograph that proved the most valuable acquisition. Although taken some time ago, when the man was in the hands of the Fort Worth police, the likeness between the man whose body is in this city and the photograph is most striking. The same prominent forehead and thin face are noticeable at once, and the record of height, color of eyes and hair and other distinguishing features on the back of the photo fits exceedingly well, according to many who viewed the body soon after the man's death. The identification can not be positive until the police department here have made a careful comparison between the picture and the body, but it seems most unlikely that two men of such pronounced similarity in form and feature should be found.

Letter No. 1. Regarding "Lord Douglas" past history, concerning which there have been the most rumors, the letter from Mrs. Douglas of Texas is very illuminating. She says: "Fort Worth, Tex. Chief of Police, Asheville, N. C.: "Enclosed please find photo of one who claimed to be Lord Douglas, but who, I understand, went by the name of C. H. Asquith and also said he was Dudley Sanford Douglas, an English nobleman, and died in your town recently. "This photo is that of the man I married January 19, 1904, in this city. He deserted me in March, taking \$250 in cash, my gold watch and other things with him. Since I have had letters from California, Denver and Lambert's Point from ladies whom he married and deserted. "Please investigate this for me and forward the photo and letters to Lamberts Point, Va."

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BEWARE OF THE BAD MOSQUITO

Little Insect With Penetrating Ways Carries Foul In His Pollicle

CIRCULAR ISSUED BY THOSE WHO KNOW

Washington, Aug. 3.—The public health and marine hospital service has issued a circular on the prevention of yellow fever. The directions given look to the suppression of the mosquito as the only means of preventing its spread. "No mosquitoes, no yellow fever," is the motto announced in big black letters at the top of the circular. The document continues as follows: "The infection of yellow fever is carried by mosquitoes, and by no other means is the infection spread. "Persons take the disease by being bitten by mosquitoes that have previously bitten a yellow fever patient. "The mosquitoes to become dangerous must bite a yellow fever patient during the first three days of his attack. The first three days, therefore, are the most important time for preventing the access of mosquitoes to a fever patient. "It is often difficult to decide during the first three days whether a patient has yellow fever; hence, the necessity of threatened communities of placing a mosquito bar immediately around every patient who has fever of any kind, and for three days at least. "The necessity of drainage and screening is dwelt upon with much emphasis. "The postoffice department is sending 15,000 copies of the circular to postoffices in the following states: Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and Arkansas. The circulars are sent out in bundles of 15 or 25 for distribution in the various towns by the local boards of health. They will be posted in conspicuous places.

CASSIE'S CREDITORS TO GET SEVEN MILLS

Cleveland, O., Aug. 3.—Creditors of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick will receive a total dividend of about seven mills on the dollar when the matter is finally settled, according to Referee in Bankruptcy Remington. The assets will amount to \$25,000. It is expected, against which are claims for attorneys' fees and court costs amounting to \$10,300, leaving about \$14,000 with which to meet \$2,000,000 indebtedness.

COSTLY BLAZE

New York, Aug. 3.—Fire today devastated the greater part of a block fronting the North River in Jersey City. Damage to the extent of \$100,000 resulting. The loss was centered in a block bounded by Morris, Essex and Hudson streets and the river, which included the offices and yards of the Brown Drydock company, the James McWilliams, a towing company, the Theodore Smith Sons & Co., iron works, the Bedd Mitchell Machine shops and the Western Union Telegraph company.

EDITOR LATELY ARRESTED FOR LIBEL KILLED BY TRAIN IN NEW YORK SUBWAY

New York, Aug. 3.—Robert Criswell, editor of a weekly publication, who was arrested recently on a charge of criminal libel, preferred by Representative Joseph R. Hook, of the Covington (Ky.) district, was killed tonight by an express train at the Seventy-second street station of the subway.

The libel charge against Criswell grew out of the publication of an article reflecting upon Mr. Rhinock and censuring Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, for having introduced Miss Alice Roosevelt to the Kentucky congressman during the visit of the president's daughter in Cincinnati.

NEGRO WHO RAN AMUCK AND KILLED MANY DIES AT HANDS OF ANGRY MOB

Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 3.—A special to The Gazette from Lewisville, Ark., says: "After killing three persons, seriously and probably fatally shooting two others, one a woman, and less seriously shooting two more, Ike Kinney, a desperate negro, was killed in a river bottom at Doella, six miles south of Lewisville, at noon today after a hot fight with a posse of citizens that had surrounded him. His bloody record for 24 hours is: August 2 (morning), killed a negro at Stamps; August 2 (afternoon), killed E. R. Ferguson, claim agent of the Louisiana & Arkansas railroad, member of a posse, three miles from Stamps; August 3 (3 p. m.), seriously shot Mrs. Stewart of Greensburg, Tex., and Mr. Stewart, her husband; August 3 (noon), shot Alvin Barham through the neck and shot a finger off of one of C. F. Nash's hands.

Germany—"I wonder how that Swedish nightingale will taste." Sweden is anxious to enter into some sort of arrangement with Germany.—News Item.

FEVER SITUATION SAID TO BE MORE HOPEFUL LOST; ONE LIVE MAYOR. RETURN TO PATERSON

Number of Fatalities Shows Slight Falling Off In Yesterday's Reports

CLASH BETWEEN GOVERNORS NOT EXPECTED Ordering Out of Mosquito Fleet Does Not Frighten Busy Mosquitoes

New Orleans, Aug. 3.—The report up to 4 p. m. is as follows: New cases, 54; total cases to date, 432; deaths, 5; total deaths to date, 84. No sub-foot, 12; total sub-foot to date, 66.

New Orleans, Aug. 3.—With a diminution in the number of fatalities today and with little spread of the infection to new fields, the yellow fever situation was regarded as having a hopeful aspect. The authorities have not concealed their expectation that for days to come there would be a daily average of twenty to twenty-five cases and a proportionate number of deaths, owing to the extent of the main infected territory and anything less than these figures will be regarded as a distinct assurance that the situation is still under control.

No Danger of Collision. Through the announcement that Governor Blanchard had actually ordered the naval brigade under arms and had dispatched the mosquito fleet of the Louisiana-Mississippi boundary attracted attention here, there is no apprehension that any serious collision will occur. Hope is generally expressed that Governor Vardaman's instructions to his guards not to trespass upon Louisiana Territory will be rigidly observed and that there will be no necessity on the part of Commander Bristle's fleet to use violent measures.

In addition to putting the naval brigade on ships, Governor Blanchard today wired to the sheriffs and district attorneys of St. Bernard and other parishes with a view of invoking the assistance of the civil authorities to clear Louisiana waters of any armed invaders. To the sheriffs he sent this telegram: "You will take steps immediately to capture and arrest all armed vessels and those aboard found within that parish or of Lake Borgne situated in your parishes so that the grand jury may act. Consult the district attorney and call upon Commander Bostick of the naval militia for assistance to effect capture. Go with Bostick expedition through the lake."

General Cleaning. With a view to inaugurating a more thorough cleaning movement and to

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ANOTHER VICTIM OF UNLOADED PISTOL

Kenneth M. McCormick, Who Was Accidentally Shot by His Room mate, Passes Away

(Special to The Citizen.) Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 3.—John Faulkner, who was by accident fatally shot in his room here yesterday by Kenneth McCormick, his roommate, died at the hospital in Salisbury early this morning. From the time of the tragedy Faulkner's wounds were considered fatal, and an ante-mortem statement was made by him shortly before he died. He stated that McCormick was purposely snapping a pistol at him, but did not intend to kill. McCormick was given a preliminary hearing here last night and bound over to court under a \$200 bond. Faulkner was an orphan boy and came here from Richmond, where his parents formerly resided.

OLD CITIZEN DEAD

(Special to The Citizen.) Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 3.—Col. Richard Coak, aged 77, one of Rowan county's oldest and most prominent citizens, died at his home near Salisbury last night. Coak had been ill for several months.

CHASE GAMBLERS AROUND THE LAKE

Chicago Police Have Exciting Maritime Struggle With Would Be Gamblers

Chicago, Aug. 3.—Gamblers in en playing the races and policemen determined to prevent all race track betting, on Lake Michigan today furnished an exciting struggle. Policemen and gamblers raced around the lake, first into Michigan waters, then close to the shores of Illinois, and then into the jurisdiction of Indiana. The net result of the day was the capture of fourteen weary marine gamblers, who floated ashore at South Chicago in a launch. All of the others, after a hot chase by the police in a fire tug, escaped to Indian Harbor, Ind., and made their way ashore, outside of the jurisdiction of the Chicago police.

Head of City Government Out Dodging Mosquitoes In Parts Unknown

OFFICIALS CANNOT COLLECT SALARIES "Eeny, Meeny, Miny Mo;" Where on Earth Did Belcher Go?

Pateron, N. J., Aug. 3.—This city is without a head and its officials cannot collect their salaries owing to the continued mysterious absence of Mayor William Belcher, who disappeared on Monday last. This chaotic state of affairs must continue for at least ten days from the time of Mr. Belcher's disappearance before an acting mayor can assume the city government reins, according to Pateron's city charter. County Prosecutor Emley is today continuing his investigation of the loans in which Mr. Belcher was interested and has asked a representative from each of three prominent trust companies to confer with him. It was reported today that Mayor Belcher was on his way to California, where his brother, Peter Belcher, is in the real estate business in the Redlands district. Prosecutor Emley said today that Mayor Belcher's borrowing would amount to \$75,000.

RUSSIANS SEEN AT CHUNG CHING

Tokio, Aug. 3.—7 p. m.—It is officially reported that two Russian torpedo boat destroyers appeared off Chung Ching, on the northern coast of Korea, at 4:30 o'clock this morning and attacked the Keisho, a small merchant steamer. The destroyers fired sixty shots, seven of which hit the port side of the engine room and bridge, killing the captain and one boy, and wounding two of the crew. The destroyers then ceased fire and steamed toward Vladivostok at 5 o'clock. The Keisho was able to continue her voyage and escaped.

RECEIVING REINFORCEMENTS.

London, Aug. 4.—Dispatches from Tokio give confirmatory evidence from the Japanese correspondents of the great strength of the Russian forces and their continued reinforcement, especially in northern Korea. Reports from the same source indicate that the greatest inundation in three years has occurred in northern Korea. The bridges over the Tumen have been destroyed and the roads are impassable.

IS BEEF TRUST SEEKING THE SCALPS OF ASHEVILLE RETAIL MEAT DEALERS?

"AFTER YOU MY DEAR KOMURA"

Japanese Envoy Will Be Presented to Pres. Roosevelt Before the Russian

THEREFORE WITTE MUST TAKE BACK SEAT "Fads and Fancies" of the Coming Peace Pow-wow at Portsmouth

New York, Aug. 3.—Acting for the president, Third Assistant Secretary of State Pierce today communicated to Baron Rosen, the Russian ambassador, and Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, the official program for the formal presentation to the president of the Washington conference. This program has been or weeks a subject of much study on the part of the president and Mr. Pierce.

Question of Ships. The question as to which ship should be assigned to the Russian and which to the Japanese to take them to Portsmouth solved itself. The servants on the Dolphin are Japanese; those on the Mayflower are Chinese. Mr. Witte had active day today. He has already seen more of New York than many visitors in a week. Accompanied by Mr. Wilsonkin, Russian financial agent at Washington, he left his hotel early today and went to Central Park, thence to Grant's tomb, where Mr. Witte insisted on getting out of the car and went into the mausoleum and remained there for a few minutes. From there he went to the stock exchange, and thence to the top of one of the towering downtown buildings to get a bird's eye view of the city.

"BLIND TIGER LIQUOR" WAS MIKE'S FINISH

Sad Plight of Man Who Lived in Town Where Prohibition Did Not Prohibit.

Baxley, Ga., Aug. 3.—Mike Aspinwall, city marshal, was assassinated here today by A. J. Chestnut. Chestnut was pursued by 25 armed citizens who left their places of business to prevent his escape. He fired twice on his pursuers and was shot through his left side with a rifle ball. He was brought back and lodged in jail. He said "Blind tiger liquor has brought me to this." Chestnut had a street fight with Luke White, who had beaten him. City Marshal Aspinwall interfered and the shooting followed.

SIGHTED WRECK.

New York, Aug. 3.—The wreck of a sailing vessel, sighted July 15, drifting submerged with one mast sticking out above water, was reported by the steamer Alene upon her arrival in New York today from Port Au Prince. The wreck was 300 miles east of the southern coast of Florida.

BUFFALO GIRL ASKED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR ONE KISS; SHE GETS \$41.20

Buffalo, Aug. 3.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Harvey Copeland to Eleanor J. Omphalus, debtor, to one kiss, \$500. That was the bill pretty Miss Omphalus presented to Copeland when she started suit in the municipal court, alleging he kissed her against her will. He said the goods hadn't been delivered and declined to pay, so Judge Hammond heard all about it. Miss Omphalus testified Copeland came into her office to pay a bill, and after paying it said he ought to have a kiss. Then he took the kiss, and a hug for good measure, she charged. She said the excitement caused her to be confined to bed several days. "No, I didn't take time, Judge," said Copeland. "I've kissed her before, and she didn't make any objection, but today she names I didn't kiss her." Judge Hammond took a few days to ponder on the subject. Then he figured out a discount from Miss Omphalus' valuation, added \$2.20 court costs and gave the plaintiff judgment for \$41.20. Judge Hammond says he measured dances this way: Frying the pig, \$10, time lost by Miss, \$10; for substituting the indignity, \$15.

